

**NORTH DAKOTA INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**June 2, 2005**

**Pioneer Room, State Capitol Building**

**PRESENT**

Richard Brown

Peggy Crane

Tammy Gallup-Millner

Ramona Gunderson

Jeanette Kolberg

Roxane Romanick

Linda Rorman

**ABSENT**

Paula Burckhard

Kari Chiasson

Virginia Cleveland

Bernard Hoggarth

Gene Hysjulien

Bill Lardy

Jolene Sjostrom

Angel Spottedhorse

George Starr

Shawn Stettner

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Missi Baranko

**STAFF PRESENT**

Deb Balsdon

Connie Haag

Chairperson Peggy Crane called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. Introductions were made. A quorum was present.

**TOPIC:** March 3, 2005 Meeting Minutes

**ACTION:** The minutes were approved as written.

**TOPIC:** Parent Leadership Institute

**DISCUSSION:** Roxane Romanick reported that a total of 5 people from North Dakota attended the Parent Leadership training. A more formal report on this training will be given at the September ICC meeting, at which time a request will be presented for a Family Leadership Subcommittee.

**TOPIC: BUDGET**

**DISCUSSION:** Deb explained and compared the ICC budgets for 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005. Federal regulations won't be finalized until December, and language now requires state ICC plans to be published for 60 days for public comment. Public comments must be submitted with the Plan. The contract Liaison position should be filled this fall. The Council discussed Requests for Proposals and changes to the process to make it easier to hire parents.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Senator Richard Brown and seconded by Ramona Gunderson to approve the proposed budget for 2005. Motion carried. The budget will now go out for 60 days of public comment.

**TOPIC: PART C APPLICATION/STATE PERFORMANCE PLAN**

**DISCUSSION:** With reauthorization of IDEA came a new process for a six-year state performance plan. Training will be offered in August, and the plan will be due by the end of December. More details will be available by the September quarterly meeting.

**TOPIC: COMMENTS FROM EARLY CHILDHOOD OUTCOME CENTER**

**DISCUSSION:** The Early Childhood Outcome Center has proposed indicators and measurements for child and family outcomes. OSEP will consider these recommendations and publish proposed outcomes that will result in the targets we will address in our annual performance report and State Performance Plan.

**TOPIC: GRANT REPORTS**

**DISCUSSION:** Deb updated the Council on the General Supervision Enhancement Grant and the Technical Assistance and Training Grant.

**TOPIC: ACTIVITIES TO ADDRESS RISING CASELOADS**

**DISCUSSION:** The Infant Development Program at Northwest Human Service Center will be transferred to Minot State University in July. The programs at Northeast, Southeast and South Central Human Service Centers may also be moved to the University system this fall. Moving Infant Development will enable the program to handle increased caseloads.

**TOPIC: MEMBERSHIP**

**DISCUSSION:** The ICC recommended that the Department of Human Services request that the Governor appoint four new positions to the Council to represent Medicaid, homeless families, children's mental health, and foster care. Eight positions are up for reappointment, and the Council could have as many as five new family members appointed. Officer elections will be held at the next quarterly meeting.

**TOPIC: REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS**

**DISCUSSION:** Deb will contract with another state entity to employ a state parent liaison. Opening Doors will use a different grant process.

**TOPIC: NATURAL ALLIES**

**DISCUSSION:** Linda Rorman reported that higher education representatives from early childhood and education have been meeting to address articulation agreements. Another higher education consortium has been formed for other related services representatives. They are addressing early intervention credentialing options. The Early Learning Guidelines taskforce has met and is working with three contractors to develop guidelines that should be available next June. The Early Learning Guidelines are being jointly funded by 619 Preschool, Head Start Collaboration and Part C funds.

**TOPIC: NEXT MEETING**

**DISCUSSION:** The next meeting will be held September 8 and 9, 2005. Agenda topics may include:

- Parent Leadership Institute
- Election of Officers
- State Performance Plan
- Early Intervention Annual Report
- Update on Impact Due to New Stipend Policy
- Part C Proposed Regulations
- Budget Spenddown Report
- Orientation for New Members

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.